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From: Secretary-General of the European Commission,  
signed by Mr Jordi AYET PUIGARNAU, Director

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To: Mr Uwe CORSEPIUS, Secretary-General of the Council of the European  
Union

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Subject: ANNEX TO THE DECISION OF THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE  
amending Protocol 31 to the EEA Agreement, on cooperation in specific  
fields outside the four freedoms to the Proposal for a Council Decision on  
the position to be adopted, on behalf of the European Union, in the EEA  
Joint Committee concerning an amendment to Protocol 31 to the EEA  
Agreement, on cooperation in specific fields outside the four freedoms  
(Connecting Europe)

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ANNEX 1

**ANNEX**

**DECISION OF THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE No .../2014  
of  
amending Protocol 31 to the EEA Agreement,  
on cooperation in specific fields outside the four freedoms**

**to the**

**Proposal for a Council Decision**

**on the position to be adopted, on behalf of the European Union,  
in the EEA Joint Committee concerning an amendment to Protocol 31 to the EEA  
Agreement, on cooperation in specific fields outside the four freedoms**

## ANNEX

### DECISION OF THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE No .../2014

of

#### amending Protocol 31 to the EEA Agreement, on cooperation in specific fields outside the four freedoms

THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE,

Having regard to the Agreement on the European Economic Area (“the EEA Agreement”), and in particular Articles 86 and 98 thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) It is appropriate to extend the cooperation of the Contracting Parties to the EEA Agreement to include Regulation (EU) No 1316/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 December 2013 establishing the Connecting Europe Facility, amending Regulation (EU) No 913/2010 and repealing Regulations (EC) No 680/2007 and (EC) No 67/2010<sup>1</sup>.
- (2) Protocol 31 to the EEA Agreement should therefore be amended in order to allow for this extended cooperation to take place from 1 January 2014,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

#### *Article 1*

The following is added in Paragraph 5 of Article 2 of Protocol 31 to the EEA Agreement:

- ‘**32013 R 1316:** Regulation (EU) No 1316/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 December 2013 establishing the Connecting Europe Facility, amending Regulation (EU) No 913/2010 and repealing Regulations (EC) No 680/2007 and (EC) No 67/2010 (OJ L 348, 20.12.2013, p. 129).

The EFTA States shall only participate in the telecommunications sector of the Connecting Europe Facility.

Liechtenstein shall be exempted from the participation in, and the financial contribution to, this programme.’

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<sup>1</sup> OJ L 348, 20.12.2013, p. 129.

*Article 2*

This Decision shall enter into force on the day following the last notification under Article 103(1) of the EEA Agreement\*.

It shall apply from 1 January 2014.

*Article 3*

This Decision shall be published in the EEA Section of, and in the EEA Supplement to, the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

Done at Brussels, .

*For the EEA Joint Committee  
The President*

*The Secretaries  
to the EEA Joint Committee*

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\* [No constitutional requirements indicated.] [Constitutional requirements indicated.]